

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2-5. Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 1-5 are presently pending.

In the Office Action, claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Lew et al. The Examiner notes, in her Response to Arguments, that the clock signal of Lew et al. (62, 64 in Fig. 3) constitutes the recitation in claim 1 of "a common post processing clock," because the Examiner is entitled to give the broadest reasonable interpretation to claim language. Applicant has amended claim 1 to recite "a post-processing clock, which is at least twice as fast as the fastest operating clock and which is generated by only one resampling device." This is described in the instant specification at page 6, which recites a single resampling device 11 on the output side, connected to the receiving devices 6 and 7. The resampling device includes a post-processing clock that samples digital input signals. Lew et al. does not disclose or suggest, alone or in combination with other references of record, such a post-processing clock. Rather, Lew et al. discloses two separate oscillators 65, 66, which generate two clock signals 62, 64, to oversample digital signals. Thus, claim 1 is allowable over the prior art. Claims 2-5 depend from claim 1 and also have been indicated as allowable over the art.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time

and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing Attorney Docket No. 449122006400.

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